

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A navigation assembly (177k) for mounting a conventional, portable
5 navigational device (10k) in a vehicle not originally equipped with navigational
capabilities is provided. The navigation assembly (177k) comprises the navigational
device (10k) and a mounting assembly (194k). Trim (196k) covering a support pillar
(98k) of the vehicle and installed during manufacture of the vehicle is replaced with
substantially similar trim (196k) having the mounting assembly (194k) mounted
10 thereto or integrally formed therewith. The mounting assembly (194k) comprises a
base (198k), a docking station (200k), and a retractable face plate (202k). The base
(198k) of the mounting assembly (194k) is secured to the trim (196k) and includes a
cut-out (204k) in which the docking station (200k) may be mounted. The docking
station (200k) also includes a cut-out (208k) sized and configured to receive the
15 navigational device (10k). The retractable face plate (202k) covers the cut-out (208k)
in the docking station (200k) and is retracted in the rearward position when the
navigational device (10k) is mounted in the docking station (200k) and is retracted in
the forward position when the navigational device (10k) is not mounted in the docking
station (200k).